

**Amendments to the Specification:**

**On page 1, line 1, insert the following title and headings:**

**PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF METAL SALTS OF  
TRIFLUOROMETHANE SULPHONIC ACID AND THEIR USE AS  
ESTERIFICATION CATALYSTS**

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

**FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

**On page 1, line 5, insert the following heading:**

**DESCRIPTION OF PRIOR ART**

**On page 2, line 1, insert the following heading:**

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

**On page 2, at line 14, insert the following heading:**

**DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS**